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Appl. No.: 10/782,673
Filing Date: 02/19/2004**REMARKS**

This is a reply to a first Office action in which the Examiner determined that the claims are in condition for allowance except for formal matters under Ex parte Quayle. Applicant has amended claims 1, 4-8, 10, 12-15, and 18, herein, to correct informalities noted by the Examiner.

Applicant also herein submits a new Declaration and Power of Attorney for second inventor, Robert Lowell Kanzelman, because the originally submitted Declaration had a non-initialed, non-dated alternation (the residence address). A fee transmittal is included to cover the charge for a late oath.

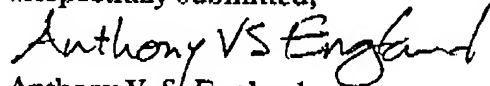
PRIOR ART OF RECORD

Applicant has reviewed the prior art of record cited by but not relied upon by Examiner, and asserts that the invention is patentably distinct.

REQUESTED ACTION

Applicant contends that the invention as claimed in accordance with amendments submitted herein is patentably distinct, and hereby requests that Examiner grant allowance and prompt passage of the application to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,



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